IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-19 (Canceled)

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): An acoustic A control signal based control system comprising:

an acoustic control signal transmission apparatus for a television signal transmitter

configured to transmit transmitting an acoustic a Dual Tone Multi-Frequency (DTMF)

control signal corresponding to a control instruction and an audio signal to be transmitted,

said television signal transmitter comprising

control instruction input means for specifying a control instruction to be transmitted, said control instruction corresponding to at least one of a power on command, power off command, start recording command and stop recording command;

a DTMF control signal generating means for generating a control signal corresponding to a control instruction determined by said control instruction input means;

<u>Signal output means for transmitting a DTMF control signal generated by said</u>

<u>DTMF control signal generating means, wherein said signal output means outputs a</u>

<u>DTMF control signal corresponding to a control instruction and an audio signal to be transmitted, wherein said DTMF control signal is superimposed on said audio signal to be transmitted;</u>

an apparatus to be controlled a television signal receiver, comprising

which includes an acoustic a <u>DTMF</u> control signal reception apparatus for receiving said acoustic <u>DTMF</u> control signal transmitted together with said audio

signal from said <u>television signal transmitter</u> audio control signal transmission apparatus;

an extraction means for extracting said DTMF control signal;

a speaker configured to output and for outputting as a sound wave, said <u>DTMF</u> control instruction corresponding to said acoustic <u>DTMF</u> control signal; and a video/audio signal recording/reproduction apparatus, comprising

a DTMF control signal reception means for receiving the DTMF control signal transmitted as a sound wave from the speaker of the television signal receiver;

a DTMF tone decoder configured to detect the frequency components contained in the received DTMF control signal;

control instruction specifying means for comparing the detected frequency components with DTMF signal strings stored in a memory which correspond to one of a power on command, power off command, start recording command and stop recording command;

a processor configured to execute the control instruction determined by said control instruction specifying means, [[;]]wherein

said <u>video/audio signal recording/reproduction</u> apparatus to be controlled is controlled by the outputted <u>sound wave corresponding to the DTMF</u> control instruction from said <u>television signal receiver</u> acoustic control signal reception apparatus.

Claims 21-63 (Canceled)